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SEGMENT TITLE: NEWS YOU CAN USE

KANE FARABAUGH, HOST: VETERANS OF ALL AGES CAN ACCESS THE V-A'S HEALTH WEB PORTAL, MYHEALTHEVET. IN ADDITION TO MAKING PRESCRIPTION REFILLS A SNAP, THE WEB SITE HAS A MYRIAD OF HELPFUL TOOLS THE LATEST FEATURE ALLOWS VETERANS TO VIEW COPIES OF KEY PORTIONS OF THEIR V-A HEALTH RECORD.

YOU CAN ALSO PRINT A SUMMARY OF YOUR PERSONAL HEALTH RECORD AND SHARE IT WITH YOUR V-A AND NON V-A PROVIDERS TO IMPROVE THE LEVEL OF CARE YOU ARE RECEIVING. TO USE THIS SECURE ONLINE SERVICE, A VETERAN MUST REGISTER WITH MYHEALTHEVET AND TAKE A BRIEF TOUR OF THE SITE.

COMPUTER AUDIO: WELCOME TO AN ALL NEW MY HEALTHY VET. MY HEALTHY VET VHA'S E HEALTH PORTAL PROVIDES YOU ACCESS TO TRUSTED HEALTH INFORMATION.

FARABAUGH: MYHEALTHEVET, CAN BE FOUND ON THE WEB AT WWW.MYHEALTH.VA.GOV

IN OTHER NEWS YOU CAN USE, MORE THAN A MILLION VISUALLY IMPAIRED VETERANS WILL RECEIVE ENHANCED HEALTH CARE SERVICES FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS.

V-A WILL PROVIDE NEARLY 40 MILLION DOLLARS OVER THE NEXT THREE YEARS TO ESTABLISH COMPREHENSIVE NATIONWIDE REHABILITATION SYSTEMS FOR VETERANS AND ACTIVE DUTY PERSONNEL WITH VISUAL IMPAIRMENTS. THESE SERVICES WILL BE AVAILABLE TO VETERANS WHOSE SIGHT RANGES FROM 20/70 TO TOTAL BLINDNESS. CONTACT YOUR V-A HEALTH CARE PROVIDER FOR MORE INFORMATION.

EVERY YEAR DURING THE WEEK OF VALENTINES DAY, V-A INVITES THE PUBLIC, YOUTH GROUPS, SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS AND CITIZENS LIKE YOU TO ITS HOSPITALS, NURSING HOMES AND OTHER FACILITIES TO VISIT AND HONOR VETERANS DURING THE NATIONAL SALUTE TO HOSPITALIZED VETERANS. UP TO A MILLION VALENTINE CARDS AND LETTERS ARE SENT TO VA PATIENTS EACH YEAR DURING THE NATIONAL SALUTE. LOG ON TO WWW.VA.GOV/VOLUNTEER TO FIND OUT MORE INFORMATION ON THIS EVENT AND OTHER WAYS YOU CAN VOLUNTEER AT VA FACILITIES.

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